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Examples of the sweeteners include aspartame, stevia, thaumatin, saccharin sodium, dipotassium glycyrrhizinate and the like. Aspartame is particularly preferable among these sweeteners, because it has an effect to remove salty taste generated by the addition of a sodium salt as a pH adjusting agent. Aspartame is added in an amount of from 0.1 to 2% by weight, preferably from 0.05 to 1% by weight, more preferably from 0.1 to 0.5% by weight based on the total weight of the pharmaceutical preparation. Examples of the flavoring agents include L-menthol, camphor, mentha, monosodium L-glutamate monohydrate, dibasic sodium inosinate, magnesium chloride and the like. Among them L-menthol is particularly desirable, because it exerts a refreshing feeling and further increases the bitterness-improving effect. L-Menthol is added in an amount of from 0.01 to 2% by weight, preferably from 0.05 to 1% by weight, more preferably from 0.1 to 0.5% by weight, based on the total weight of the preparation.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 21-25 without prejudice or disclaimer.

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16. (Twice Amended) The oral administration preparation according to claim 1, wherein it further contains a sweetener or a flavoring agent.

20. (Twice Amended)

The method of masking the taste of an oral administration

preparation according to claim 19, wherein a sweetener and/or a flavoring agent is further

included.